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13	Debtor	Before the Honorable Erithe Smith			
14	FRED FARID ASHOUR	Chapter 7			
15	Plaintiff	MOTION TO DISMISS COMPLAINT TO DETERMINE NONDISCHARGEABILITY			
16	Vs.	OF DEBT PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 523(a)(2), DENIAL OF DISCHARGE			
17	FARHAD NADERI	PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 727(a)(, (a)(3), (a)(4), and (a)(5)			
18	Defendant	[F.R.C.P. §§9(b), 12(b)(6); F.R.B.P. §§7009, 7012]			
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<ul><li>22</li><li>23</li></ul>	TO PLAINTIFF FRED FARID ASHOUR AND HIS ATTORNEY OF RECORD.				
24	PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on 3	-22-2018, at 2:00 pm in the Courtroom of the Honorable			
25	Erithe Smith, United States Bankruptcy Judge, Courtroom 5A located at the United States Bankruptcy				
26	Court Central District of California Ronald Reagan Federal Building and Courthouse				
27	411 West Fourth Street, Santa Ana, CA	A 92701-459, Debtor and Defendant Farhad Naderi			
28	("Defendant") moves for an order dismissing	ng the Complaint to Determine Nondischargeability of			
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Debt Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 523, Denial of Discharge Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 727(a)(, (a)(3), (a)(4), and (a)(5) ("Complaint") filed herein by Plaintiff Fred Farid Ashour ("Plaintiff").

The *Motion to Dismiss* will be based on this Notice, on the attached Memorandum of Points and Authorities, on all the papers and records on file in this action, and on such oral and documentary evidence as may be presented at the hearing of the *Motion*.

Defendant brings this *Motion to Dismiss* pursuant to F.R.C.P. §§9(b), 12(b)(6), and F.R.B.P. §§7009, 7012, on the grounds that Plaintiff has failed to state a claim upon which relief may be granted. Plaintiff's Complaint fails to meet even the minimal elements of 11 U.S.C. §523(a)(2) and § 727(a). Plaintiff attempts to allege causes of action by providing an excessive listing of vague, redundant, and ultimately confusing assertions of fact (many of which only marginally qualify as facts), then, failing to apply those assertions to the elements of any given cause of action, makes only sweeping conclusory declarations of Defendant's liability. As a result, the pleading defies a basis for drawing any reasonable inference that Defendant is responsible for the misconduct alleged, let alone any of the injuries or damages which Plaintiff claims to have suffered. It is not the responsibility of Defendant, and certainly not the responsibility of the Court, to decipher the relevant facts from the referenced narrative in order to construct Plaintiff's claims for relief.

Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1, any objection or response to this *Motion* must be stated in writing, filed with the Clerk of the Court and served on Defendant and his counsel no later than fourteen days prior to the hearing. Failure to so state, file and serve any opposition may result in the Court failing to consider the same.

DATED: January 8, 2018 LAW OFFICE OF BARUCH C. COHEN A Professional Law Corporation

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# 1. MEMORANDUM OF POINTS & AUTHORITIES

# a. **BACKGROUND**

On 5-31-2017, the Debtor commend this chapter 7 bankruptcy.

On 12-7-2017, Plaintiff commenced this Complaint. The First Cause of Action is for Intentional Transfer and Concealment of Debtor's Property or Property of the Estate in Violation of 11 U.S.C. §727(a)(2)(A) and (B). The Second Cause of Action is for False Oath Under 11 U.S.C. §727(a)(4)(A). The Third cause of action is for Money Obtained by False Pretenses and Actual Fraud Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §523(a)(2)(A).

Plaintiff's First Cause of Action for Intentional Transfer and Concealment of Debtor's Property or Property of the Estate in Violation of 11 U.S.C. §727(a)(2)(A) and (B) is based on an allegation that the Defendant knowingly, intentionally, and fraudulently concealed, transferred and or removed, or permitted to be transferred, removed, and/or concealed monies received in connection with his ownership interest, whether legal or equitable in the real property at 32 Via Del Tesoro, San Clemente CA; both sections are barred by the applicable time provisions of the Code. As to the 1-year reachback provision of 11 U.S.C. §727(a)(2)(A), the Complaint is silent about what was concealed or transferred during the period of 5-31-2016 - 5-31-2017. As to the post-petition provision of 11 U.S.C. §727(a)(2)(B), the Complaint is silent about what was concealed or transferred after the Petition Date of 5-31-2017.

Plaintiff's Second Cause of Action is for False Oath Under 11 U.S.C. §727(a)(4)(A) is based on two (2) very simple factual scenarios:

Defendant checked off the box contained in his Voluntary Petition, that he did not "use" a business name and Employer Identification Number (EIN) in the last 8 years." Plaintiff alleges that checked box was untrue because Defendant had an interest in a California corporation named Miss Sunshine's Gourmet Treats, that was incorporated in 6-21-2010 and suspended on 1-2-2013. Plaintiff's Complaint does not allege that Defendant actually "used" this company. If all Defendant did was incorporate and never used the company, there would be no violation. Further, the Complaint cites no facts that this was more than an innocent and inadvertent oversight. No facts were

cited that this was a knowingly and fraudulently made false oath.

Defendant failed to list in his Schedule E, two debts to the California Franchise Board, one in the amount of \$81.178.00 and the other in the amount of \$29,509.00. Plaintiff does not allege that the California Franchise Tax debts were still in effect at the time of the 5-31-2017 Petition Date. If they were not, and were either settled or paid off beforehand (which they actually were), there would be no obligation to list them in his Schedule E. Further, the Complaint cites no facts that this was more than an innocent and inadvertent oversight. No facts were cited that this was a knowingly and fraudulently made false oath.

Plaintiff's Third cause of action for Money Obtained by False Pretenses and Actual Fraud Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §523(a)(2)(A) alleges that as of 1-16-2013 (the time Defendant allegedly induced Plaintiff to release his lien securing the Plaintiff's loan of \$275,000.00 to Defendant to allow Defendant to sell the real property which was subject to the lien), Defendant knew he was not going to pay back the loan to Plaintiff and had no intention of doing so. He allegedly represented to Plaintiff that if Plaintiff would release the lien, Defendant would sell the subject property and pay back plaintiff in full. Plaintiff does not explain how this fraud claim is not barred by the applicable 3-year statute of limitations for fraud of Code of Civil Procedure § 338? Said fraud claim was discharged by operation of law 3 years after, as of 1-16-2016. Further, according to the Complaint, Defendant said that he would sell the property, and indeed sold the property. Wherein lies the fraud?

Further, the fraud claim in the Complaint is precluded and barred by the doctrine of judicial estoppel. The Orange County lawsuit entitled: <u>Fred Ashour vs. Farhad Naderi</u>, # 30-2016-00869831-CU-BC-CJC for breach of contract and common counts resulted in a default judgement against Defendant on 3-29-2017, did not list a fraud cause of action against Defendant. The doctrine of judicial estoppel precludes Plaintiff from asserting the fraud cause of action in the adversary complaint against Defendant since it was not raised in the underlying state court action. Therefore, the motion to dismiss should also be granted for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted based on judicial estoppel.

Accordingly, the task has fallen upon Defendant to bring the instant Motion to Dismiss, for

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failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted pursuant to Rule 7012 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, incorporating by reference, Rule 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure in order to demonstrate that Plaintiff's pleading is filled with superfluous matter, alleging conduct, damages, and events which are so remote in time as to be time-barred and allegations which are mere conclusions.

# b. **ARGUMENT**

A complaint must allege sufficient factual matter, which if accepted as true would "state a claim to relief that is plausible on its face." <u>Ashcroft v. Iqbal</u>, 556 U.S. 662, 129 S. Ct. 1937, 1949 (2009), quoting, <u>Bell Atlantic Corp. v. Twombly</u>, 550 U.S. 544, 570 (2007). A claim is facially plausible when a court can draw a reasonable inference that the defendant is liable for misconduct. Id. The complaint must state a claim for relief that is plausible in order to survive a motion to dismiss. <u>Ashcroft v. Iqbal</u>, 129 S. Ct. at 1950. A dismissal without leave to amend should not be granted unless "the complaint could not be saved by any amendment." <u>Polich v. Burlington Northern, Inc.</u>, 942 F.2d 1467, 1472 (9th Cir. 1991) (citation omitted).

Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 12(b)(6) provides, in pertinent part:

Every defense, in law or fact, to a claim for relief in any pleading, whether a claim, counterclaim, cross-claim, or third-party claim, shall be asserted in the responsive pleading thereto if one is required, except that the following defenses may at the option of the pleader be made by motion: ... (6) failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted ....

Courts have increasingly recognized that under appropriate circumstances these motions are useful and even necessary tools for disposing of insupportable claims. Thus, while the Court, in deciding a motion to dismiss, must accept as true all material allegations of a complaint and construe them in the light most favorable to the plaintiff. *N.L. Industries, Inc. v. Kaplan*, 792 F.2d 896, 898 (9th Cir. 1986). "To survive a motion to dismiss, a complaint must contain sufficient factual matter, accepted as true, to 'state a claim to relief that is plausible on its face." *Ashcroft v. Iqbal*, 129 S.Ct. 1937, 1949 (2009) (quoting *Bell Atlantic Corp. v. Twombly*, 550 U.S. 544, 570 (2007)). "A claim has facial plausibility when the plaintiff pleads factual content that allows the court to draw the reasonable inference that the defendant is liable for the misconduct alleged." (*Ibid.*) In other words, the relevant

question for purposes of a motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim is "whether, assuming the factual allegations are true, the plaintiff has stated a ground for relief that is plausible." *Ashcroft, supra*, 129 S.Ct. at 1959. However, the Court need not accept conclusory allegations, unwarranted deductions or unreasonable inferences. *Western Mining Council v. Watt*, 643 F.2d 618, 624 (9th Cir. 1981), *cert. denied*, 454 U.S. 1031, 102 S.Ct. 567, 70 L.Ed. 2d 474 (1981). Nor need a court assume that Plaintiff can prove facts different from those it has alleged. *Associated Gen. Contractors of Calif. v. California State Council of Carpenters* 459 U.S. 519, 526 (1983). As one court has put it, courts need not "swallow the plaintiff's invective hook, line, and sinker; bald assertions, unsupportable conclusions, periphrastic circumlocutions, and the like need not be credited." *Aulson v. Blanchard* 83 F.3d 1, 3 (1st Cir. 1996).

Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(6), made applicable to bankruptcy by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 7012, is similar to the common law general demurrer in that it tests the legal sufficiency of the claim or claims stated in the Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint. A court must decide whether the facts alleged, if true, would entitle the plaintiff to some form of legal remedy. *Conley v Gibson*, 355 U.S. 41, 45-46, 78 S.Ct. 99, 102 (1957); *De La Cruz v Tormey* 582 F.2d 45, 48 (9th Cir. 1978).

Therefore, a Rule 12(b)(6) dismissal motion is proper where there is an absence of sufficient facts alleged under a cognizable legal theory. *Balistreri v. Pacifica Police Dept*, 901 F.2d 696, 699 (9th Cir. 1990); *Graehling v. Village of Lombard, III*, 58 F.3d 295, 297 (7th Cir. 1995). If a critical threshold element is missing from the Plaintiff's Complaint, a motion to dismiss under Rule 12(b)(6) must be granted. This is precisely the problem with Plaintiff's Complaint - alleged facts are not stated with the requisite specificity.

- i. PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT IS PROPERLY DISMISSED PURSUANT TO F.R.C.P. §§9(B), 12(B)(6) AND F.R.B.P. §§7009, 7012
  - (1) PLAINTIFF'S 1<sup>ST</sup> CAUSE OF ACTION UNDER 11 U.S.C. §727(a)(2)(A) IS PROPERLY DISMISSED

11 U.S.C. §727(a)(2)(A) - Discharge provides:

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(a) The court shall grant the debtor a discharge, unless—

(2) the debtor, with intent to hinder, delay, or defraud a creditor or an officer of the estate charged with custody of property under this title, has transferred, removed, destroyed, mutilated, or concealed, or has permitted to be transferred, removed, destroyed, mutilated, or concealed—

(A) property of the debtor, within one year before the date of the filing of the petition [Emphasis added]

Two elements comprise an objection to discharge under 11 U.S.C. § 727(a)(2)(A): 1) a disposition of property by or at the sufferance of the debtor by transfer, removal, destruction, mutilation, or concealment; and 2) a subjective intent on the debtor's part to hinder, delay or defraud a creditor through the act disposing of the property. Both elements must take place within 1-year of the Petition Date of 5-31-2017 (the one-year pre-filing period); acts and intentions occurring before this period are forgiven. *In re Lawson*, 122 F3d 1237 (CA9 1997).

This section is construed liberally in favor of the debtor and strictly against those objecting to discharge. Before a court can refuse a discharge under 11 U.S.C. § 727(a)(2)(A), it must be shown that there was an actual transfer of valuable property belonging to the debtor which reduced the assets available to the creditors and which was made with fraudulent intent. *In re Garcia*, 168 B.R. 403 (D. Ariz. 1994).

The Defendant had no obligation to disclose an inactive suspended company, that is worth nothing, that is not material, that did no business at the time of the Petition, that had no customers at that time, and that had no employees then. The omission of this asset was not a detriment to creditors. This asset bears no relationship whatsoever to the Debtor's current business transactions, nor did it concern the discovery of assets, business dealings, or the existence and disposition of the Debtor's property." *In re Chalik*, 748 F.2d 616, 617 (11th Cir.1984).

In fact, if this case should go to trial, the evidence will show that said property was substantially underwater and was in a nonjudicical foreclosure. Plaintiff's security on the property was eclipsed by the substantial liens on the property before him. There was simply no equity in this property. Plaintiff released his worthless lien in order to sell the property in a short sale to avoid the adverse ramifications of a foreclosure and capital gains taxes.

According to the Complaint, Defendant's alleged fraud occurred on 1-16-2013 (the time

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1	Defendant induced Plaintiff to release his lien securing the Plaintiff's loan of \$275,000.00 to						
2	Defendant to allow Defendant to sell the real property which was subject to the lien), which is						
3	beyond the 1-year reachback provision of 11 U.S.C. §727(a)(2)(A). The Complaint is silent about						
4	what was concealed or transferred during the period of 5-31-2016 - 5-31-2017.						
5	There is no factual allegation in the Complaint of any subjective intent on the Debtor's part to						
6	hinder, delay or defraud a creditor, or any creditor, from 5-31-2016 - 5-31-2017.						
7	Accordingly, Plaintiff's 1st Cause of Action under 11 U.S.C. §727(a)(2)(A) is properly						
8	dismissed.						
9	(2) PLAINTIFF'S 1 <sup>ST</sup> CAUSE OF ACTION UNDER 11 U.S.C.						
10	§727(a)(2)(B) IS PROPERLY DISMISSED						
11	11 U.S.C. §727(a)(2)(B) - Discharge provides						
12	<ul><li>(a) The court shall grant the debtor a discharge, unless—</li><li>(2) the debtor, with intent to hinder, delay, or defraud a creditor or an officer of the</li></ul>						
13	estate charged with custody of property under this title, has transferred, removed, destroyed, mutilated, or concealed, or has permitted to be transferred, removed,						
14	destroyed, mutilated, or concealed—  (B) property of the estate, after the date of the filing of the petition; [Emphasis						
15	added]						
16	Two elements comprise an objection to discharge under 11 U.S.C. § 727(a)(2)(B): 1) a						
17	disposition of property by or at the sufferance of the debtor by transfer, removal, destruction,						
18	mutilation, or concealment; and 2) a subjective intent on the debtor's part to hinder, delay or defraud						
19	a creditor through the act disposing of the property. Both elements must take place <i>after</i> the Petition						
20	Date of 5-31-2017.						
21	The Complaint is silent about what was concealed or transferred after the Petition Date of 5-						
22	31-2017.						
23	Accordingly, Plaintiff's 1 <sup>st</sup> Cause of Action under 11 U.S.C. §727(a)(2)(B) is properly						
24	dismissed.						
25	(3) PLAINTIFF'S 2 <sup>nd</sup> CAUSE OF ACTION UNDER 11 U.S.C.						
26	§727(a)(4) IS PROPERLY DISMISSED						
27	11 U.S.C. §727(a)(4)(A) - Discharge provides:						
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(a) The court shall grant the debtor a discharge, unless—

- (4) the debtor knowingly and fraudulently, in or in connection with the case—
- (A) made a false oath or account

Plaintiff's Second Cause of Action is for False Oath Under 11 U.S.C. §727(a)(4)(A) is based on two (2) very simple factual scenarios:

Defendant checked off the box contained in his Voluntary Petition, that he did not "use" a business name and Employer Identification Number (EIN) in the last 8 years." Plaintiff alleges that checked box was untrue because Defendant had an interest in a California corporation named Miss Sunshine's Gourmet Treats, that was incorporated in 6-21-2010 and suspended on 1-2-2013. Plaintiff's Complaint does not allege that Defendant actually "used" this company. In fact, the Complaint ¶ 25 misstates the standard: "debtor failed to set forth any information regarding his ownership interest or other interest in Miss Sunshine's Gourmet Treats." The Voluntary Petition does not obligate a debtor to identify companies that he owns. Schedule B does. The Voluntary Petition merely asks what companies Debtor "uses." The Complaint cites no facts that the Debtor "used" or "uses" the suspended company. Again, if all Defendant did was incorporate and never used the company, there would be no violation. Further, the Complaint cites no facts that this was more than an innocent and inadvertent oversight. No facts were cited that this was a knowingly and fraudulently made false oath.

Defendant failed to list in his Schedule E, two debts to the California Franchise Board, one in the amount of \$81.178.00 and the other in the amount of \$29,509.00. Plaintiff does not allege that the California Franchise Tax debts were still in effect at the time of the 5-31-2017 Petition Date. If they were not, and were either settled or paid off beforehand (which they actually were), there would be no obligation to list them in his Schedule E. Further, the Complaint cites no facts that this was more than an innocent and inadvertent oversight. No facts were cited that this was a knowingly and fraudulently made false oath.

In fact, if this case should go to trial, the evidence will show that the California Franchise Tax Board released the \$81,178 debt on 5-1-2016, and released the \$29,508 debt on 11-1-2014. As a general rule, the court may not consider any material beyond the pleadings in considering a motion

to dismiss under Rule 12(b)(6). *Lee v. City of Los Angeles*, 250 F.3d 668, 688 (9th Cir. 2001) (citation omitted). A court may "take judicial notice of matters of public record without converting a motion to dismiss into a motion for summary judgment . . . but [only when taking] judicial notice of a fact that is [not] subject to reasonable dispute. Id. at 689-690; see also, Fed. R. Evid. 201. In considering defendant's motion to dismiss, the court may take judicial notice of the Lexis/Nexis report on Defendant that reflects the Franchise Tax Boards release of the Debtor's debts - all pre-petition. <sup>1</sup>

Accordingly, Plaintiff's 2<sup>nd</sup> Cause of Action under 11 U.S.C. §727(a)(4) is properly dismissed.

# (4) PLAINTIFF'S 3<sup>rd</sup> CAUSE OF ACTION UNDER 11 U.S.C. §523(a)(2)(A) IS PROPERLY DISMISSED

# (a) PLAINTIFF FAILED TO ALLEGE FRAUD WITH THE REQUISITE SPECIFICITY

Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 9(b), made applicable to bankruptcy by Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 7009, states as follows: "In all averments of fraud or mistake the circumstances constituting fraud or mistake shall be stated with particularity ... ." Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 9(b). See, *In re Kubick*, 171 B.R. 658, 660 (9th Cir. B.A.P. 1994); citing *In re Schwartzman*, 63 B.R. 348, 355 (Bankr. SD Ohio 1986).

Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 9(b) requires the identification of the specific circumstances constituting fraud so the defendant can prepare an adequate answer to the allegations. *Moore vs. Kayport Package Express, Inc.*, 885 F.2d 531 (9th Cir.1989). In order to properly allege fraud with particularity, the "pleader must state the time, place and specific content of the false representations as well as the identities of the parties to the misrepresentations." *Semegen v. Weider*, 780 F.2d 727, 731 (9th Cir.1985); *Bosse v. Crowell Collier and MacMillan*, 565 F.2d 602, 611 (9th Cir. 1977). The "particularity" requirement serves to provide defendants with adequate notice of both the nature and grounds of the claim, to protect defendants from the reputational harm associated with fraud claims and to prevent the filing of claims merely to discover unknown wrongs. *Neubronner v Milken*, 6 F.3d

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A true and correct copy of the Lexis/Nexis report on Defendant that reflects the Franchise Tax Boards release of the Debtor's debts - all pre-petition is attached hereto as Exhibit "1" and is incorporated herein by this reference.

666, 671 (9th Cir. 1993).

The fraud allegations must be specific enough to give the defendant notice of the particular misconduct which is alleged to constitute the fraud, so that his can defend against the charge and not just deny that his have done anything wrong. <u>Semegen v. Weider</u>, <u>supra.</u>, <u>Neubronner v Milken</u>, <u>supra.</u> Allegations that are vague or conclusory are insufficient to satisfy the "particularity" requirement of F.R.C.P. 9(b). <u>Moore v. Kayport Package Express</u>, <u>supra</u>, at 540.

Satisfying the pleading requirement of Fed. R. Civ. P. 9(b), requires that the time, place, and nature of the Debtor's alleged misrepresentation be set forth so that the Debtor's alleged intent to defraud is evident in the Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint. *Ross v. Bolton*, 904 F.2d 819, 823 (2d Cir. 1990).

Throughout his Complaint, Plaintiff failed to plead with particularity the details of Defendant's alleged fraud. Plaintiff's Complaint fails to specify the precise time, place or content of any of Defendant's alleged fraudulent conduct. The allegations presented in Plaintiff's Complaint are the garden variety examples of vagueness that the F.R.C.P. was designed to combat and prevent. Plaintiff's Complaint fails to identify with sufficient particularity a specific instance of misconduct by Defendant (i.e., who, what where?).

As Plaintiff cannot state a viable cause of action for fraud, as discussed above, Plaintiff cannot state a cause of action pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §523(a)(2)(A), and said claim is properly dismissed.

# (b) PLAINTIFF'S FRAUD CLAIM IS BARRED BY THE APPLICABLE 3-YEAR STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR FRAUD OF CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE § 338

California Code of Civil Procedure §338 provides a 3-year statute of limitations for fraud. Plaintiff's Complaint §27 alleges that as of 1-16-2013 (the time Defendant allegedly induced Plaintiff to release his lien securing the Plaintiff's loan of \$275,000.00 to Defendant to allow Defendant to sell the real property which was subject to the lien), Defendant knew he was not going to pay back the loan to Plaintiff and had no intention of doing so. He allegedly represented to Plaintiff that if Plaintiff would release the lien, Defendant would sell the subject property and pay back plaintiff in

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full. Plaintiff does not explain how this fraud claim is not barred by the applicable 3-year statute of limitations for fraud of Code of Civil Procedure § 338? Said fraud claim was discharged by operation of law 3 years after, as of 1-16-2016. Further, according to the Complaint, Defendant said that he would sell the property, and indeed sold the property. Wherein lies the fraud?

# (c) PLAINTIFF'S FRAUD CLAIM IS BARRED BY THE DOCTRINE OF JUDICIAL ESTOPPEL

And to the extent Plaintiff will attempt to amend his Complaint to allege when he discovered the alleged fraud, that would be a lesson in futility.

Plaintiff sued Defendant in an Orange County lawsuit entitled: <u>Fred Ashour vs. Farhad Naderi</u>, #30-2016-00869831-CU-BC-CJC for breach of contract and common counts which resulted in a default judgement against Defendant on 3-29-2017. Said lawsuit did not list a fraud cause of action against Defendant. The doctrine of judicial estoppel precludes Plaintiff from asserting the fraud cause of action in the adversary complaint against Defendant since it was not raised in the underlying state court action. Therefore, the motion to dismiss should also be granted for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted based on judicial estoppel.

"Judicial estoppel is an equitable doctrine that precludes a party from gaining an advantage by asserting one position, and then later seeking an advantage by taking a clearly inconsistent position." 

Hamilton v. State Farm Fire & Casualty Co., 275 F.3d 778, 782 (9th Cir. 2001). "In the bankruptcy context, a party is judicially estopped from asserting a cause of action not raised in a reorganization plan or otherwise mentioned in the debtor's schedules or disclosure statements." 
Hamilton v. State Farm Fire & Casualty Co., 275 F.3d at 783, quoted in HPG Corp. v. Aurora Loan Service, LLC, 436 B.R. 569, 577 (E.D. Cal. 2010).

As alleged in plaintiff's adversary complaint, Plaintiff asserts causes of action for fraud that existed before he filed his state court lawsuit.

As a general rule, the court may not consider any material beyond the pleadings in considering

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>A true and correct copy of the Orange County lawsuit entitled: <u>Fred Ashour vs. Farhad Naderi</u>, #30-2016-00869831-CU-BC-CJC is attached hereto as Exhibit "2" and is incorporated herein by this reference.

a motion to dismiss under Rule 12(b)(6). <u>Lee v. City of Los Angeles</u>, 250 F.3d 668, 688 (9th Cir. 2001) (citation omitted). A court may "take judicial notice of matters of public record without converting a motion to dismiss into a motion for summary judgment . . . but [only when taking] judicial notice of a fact that is [not] subject to reasonable dispute. Id. at 689-690; see also, Fed. R. Evid. 201. In considering defendant's motion to dismiss, the court may take judicial notice of the proceedings before this court in this bankruptcy case, such as the Orange County lawsuit entitled: <u>Fred Ashour vs. Farhad Naderi</u>, # 30-2016-00869831-CU-BC-CJC for breach of contract and common counts resulted in a default judgement against Defendant on 3-29-2017. Accordingly, under <u>Hamilton</u>, the doctrine of judicial estoppel precludes plaintiff from asserting the fraud cause of action in the adversary complaint against Defendant since it was not raised in the state court cause of action. Therefore, the motion to dismiss should also be granted for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted based on judicial estoppel.

Further, state court judgment has also preclusive effect, as the state court judgment is final under state law for claim or issue preclusion purposes. A judgment may have preclusive effect under the doctrines of claim preclusion and issue preclusion, which are collectively known as res judicata. *Taylor v. Sturgell*, 553 U.S. 880, 892 and n. 3 (2008), citing inter alia, *New Hampshire v. Maine*, 532 U.S. 742, 748 (2001).

"Under the doctrine of claim preclusion, a final judgment forecloses successive litigation of the very same claim, whether or not relitigation of the claim raises the same issues as the earlier suit." Id.

Issue preclusion "bars 'successive litigation of an issue of fact or law that was actually litigated and resolved in a valid court determination essential to that prior judgment," even if the issue recurs in the context of a different claim." *Taylor v. Sturgell*, 553 U.S. at 892, quoting, *New Hampshire v. Maine*, 532 U.S. at 748-749.

Under the doctrine of claim preclusion, "a final judgment on the merits bars further claims by parties or their privies based on the same cause of action." *Brown v. Felsen*, 442 U.S. 127, 131 (1979),

<sup>3</sup>A true and correct copy of the Court's docket of the the Orange County lawsuit entitled: <u>Fred</u>

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Ashour vs. Farhad Naderi, #30-2016-00869831-CU-BC-CJC showing the default judgement and the

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Default Judgement is attached hereto as Exhibit "3" and is incorporated herein by this reference.

quoting Montana v. United States, 440 U.S. 147, 153 (1979). Under the federal standard of claim

preclusion (or res judicata) applicable to this court's orders, three elements must be met for issue

preclusion to apply: (1) an identity of claims; (2) a final judgment on the merits; and (3) privity

between parties. Stratosphere Litigation L.L.C. v. Grand Casinos, Inc., 298 F.3d 1137, 1142 n. 3 (9th

Cir. 2002) (citation omitted). The doctrine of claim preclusion is applicable here because the court's

orders allowing defendant's creditor claim involve the same cause of action since the plaintiff in this

adversary proceeding seeks damages based on defendant's assertion of his creditor claim; the orders

are final judgments on the merits; and the same parties are involved in both the claims allowance

litigation and in this adversary proceeding. Claim preclusion prevents litigation of all grounds for, or

defenses to, recovery that were previously available to the parties, regardless of whether they were

asserted or determined in the prior proceeding. <u>Brown v. Felsen</u>, 442 U.S. at 131, citing <u>Chicot County</u>

Drainage District v. Baxter, 308 U.S. 371, 378 (1940). Plaintiff could have raised his claims of breach

of contract and contempt of court now asserted in his adversary complaint earlier in objecting to

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The doctrine of claim preclusion prevents plaintiff from doing so now.

defendant's creditor claim in the claims allowance litigation, but did not.

Under the federal standard of issue preclusion applicable to this court's orders, four elements must be met for issue preclusion to apply: (1) the issue sought to be precluded must be the same as that involved in the prior action; (2) the issue must have been actually litigated; (3) it must have been determined by a valid and final judgment; and (4) the determination must have been essential to the final judgment. *Palm v. Klapperman (In re Cady)*, 266 B.R. 172, 183 (9th Cir. BAP 2001) (citation omitted).

The Orange County court's default judgement order for breach of contract meets this standard and bars further action of Plaintiff to now allege fraud. The Defendant's liability emerging from the real property was actually litigated by the parties, was determined by valid and final judgments of this court, namely, the order allowing the default judgement based on breach of contract, only. The determination of the issue of breach of contract (and not fraud) was essential to the final default judgement. Accordingly, plaintiff is also barred by the doctrine of issue preclusion from alleging a

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fraud claim in this adversary proceeding.

# c. **CONCLUSION**

Here, Plaintiff has not demonstrated, nor can he state a viable claim under any cause of action in his Complaint; lacking liability and filed for the purpose of harassment, unreasonable delay, and to obtain an unfair advantage in the state court action. This is particularly so when one examines the Complaint's claims, which consists of no more than the gratuitous and bare-bones boilerplate conclusions minimally invoking this Court's jurisdiction.

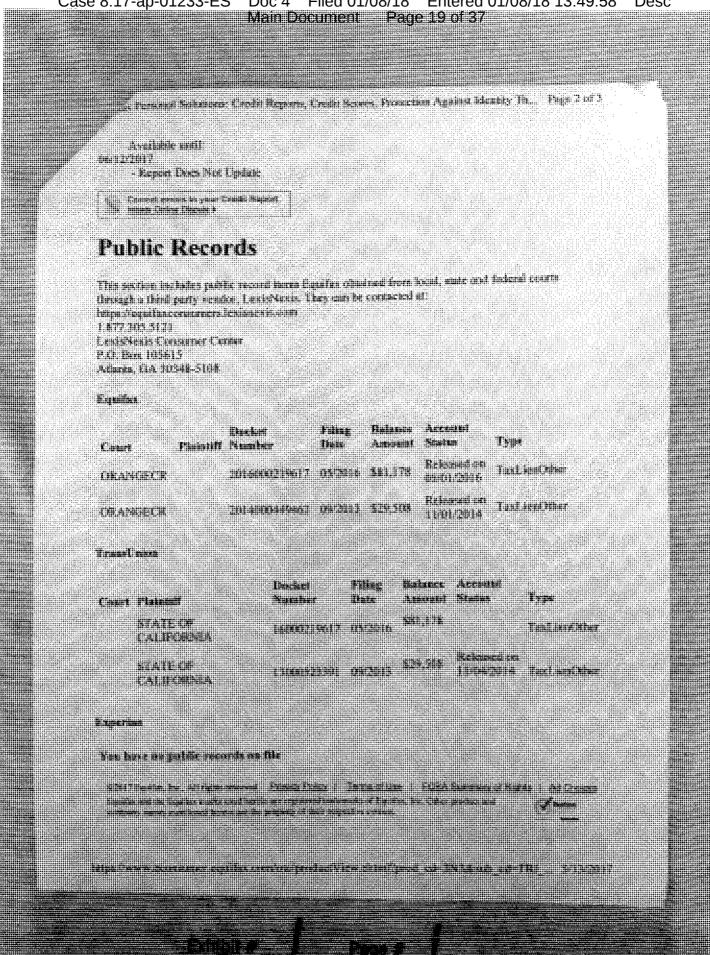
For the above reasons, Defendant prays that this Court dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint with prejudice, that Plaintiff not be granted leave to amend, that Plaintiff take nothing by his Complaint, and that Defendant's alleged debt to Plaintiff be discharged. Further, Defendant prays that this Court issue a finding of fact that the claims brought by Plaintiff are dischargeable, and that pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §524(a)(1) and (2), this discharge should also serve to void any future judgment to determine the personal liability of Defendant and operate as a permanent injunction against any actions whether commenced pre-petition or post-petition. Further, Defendant prays that this Court award Defendant's costs and reasonable attorney's fees in an amount which will be ascertained, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §523(d) and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 9011.

According, Defendant respectfully requests that the Court enter an order granting the *Motion* in its entirety, and providing for such other and further relief as this Court deems just.

DATED: January 8, 2018 LAW OFFICE OF BARUCH C. COHEN A Professional Law Corporation

By /S/ Baruch C. Cohen
Baruch C. Cohen, Esq.
Attorney for Defendant Farhad Naderi

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12	Plaintiff,	) COMPLAINT FOR:					
13	vs.	) (1) BREACH OF CONTRACT & ) (2) COMMON COUNTS					
14	FARHAD NADERI, an individual, aka FRED NADERI; and	) (2) COMMON COONTS					
15	DOES 1 Through 20, Inclusive,						
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18	Plaintiff, Fred Ashour, brings this act	tion against defendants for general, compensatory, and					
19	statutory damages, pre-judgment interest, co	sts, and attorneys' fees; and other appropriate and just					
20	relief resulting from:						
21	GENERA	AL ALLEGATIONS					
22	1. Plaintiff, Fred Ashour ("Plain	tiff"), is an individual residing in Orange County, State					
23	of California.						
24	2. At all times relevant hereto, Defendant, Farhad Naderi, also known as Fred Naderi, is						
25	an individual believed to be residing in the County of Orange, State of California.						
26	3. The true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate or otherwise,						
27	of the Defendants sued herein as Does 1 through 20, are unknown to Plaintiff, who therefore sues						
28	said Defendants by such fictitious names. Pl	aintiff will amend this Complaint to insert the true					
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names and capacities of said Defendants when same have been ascertained. Each of the Defendants designated herein as a "Doe" is legally responsible in some manner for the conduct alleged herein and for the damages suffered by Plaintiff.

- 4. At all times material hereto, each of the Defendants were the agents, servants and/or employees of each of the remaining Defendants, acted within the scope, purpose and course of said agency, service and/or employment with the express or implied knowledge, permission and/or consent of the remaining Defendants, and ratified and approved the acts of the other Defendants.
- Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that any corporate and/or business entity defendants are a mere sham and/or shell organized and operated as the alter ego of Farhad Naderi and/or the Doe defendants, and there has existed such a unity of ownership and interest between the entities and Farhad Naderi and/or the Doe defendants, and such complete control by Farhad Naderi and/or the Doe defendants over the entities that an injustice will result if the theoretical existence of the corporate entity is not disregarded and Farhad Naderi and/or the Doe defendants and/or the entities held liable for the indebtedness of each other that failing to pierce the corporate veil would permit an abuse of the corporate privilege and would sanction fraud.

# FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

# (For Breach of Contract Against All Defendants)

- 6. On January 16, 2013, Plaintiff and Defendants entered into an promissory note ("NOTE") agreement whereby Defendants borrowed from and promised to repay Plaintiff \$275,000.00. A true and correct copy of the NOTE is attached as Exhibit "A."
  - 7. By its terms the NOTE became due and payable on January 16, 2015.
- 8. Plaintiff has performed fully under the terms of the NOTE except to the extent excused or prevented by Defendants.
- 9. Beginning on January 16, 2015 and continuing through the present date Defendants breached the terms of the NOTE by failing to pay Plaintiff \$275,000.00.
- 10. As a proximate result of the breach of the terms of the NOTE by Defendants, Plaintiff has suffered damages in the principal amount of \$275,000.00.

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#### SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

# (For Common Counts Against All Defendants)

- Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges the allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 10 11. above and incorporates the same by this reference as if set forth in full.
- Within the last two years Defendants became indebted to Plaintiff on an open book 12. account for money due.
- Within the last two years because an account was stated in writing by and between 13. Plaintiff and Defendants in which it was agreed that Defendants were indebted to Plaintiff in the amount of \$275,000.00.
- Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Plaintiff is entitled 14. to attorney's fees by statute.

# WHEREFORE, PLAINTIFF PRAYS FOR JUDGMENT AS FOLLOWS:

- For general compensatory damages in the amount of \$275,000.00; 1.
- 2. For an award of interest, including pre-judgment and post-judgment interest, at the legal rate;
  - 3. For costs of suit incurred herein:
  - 4. For attorney's fees; and
  - For such other and further relief as the court may deem just and proper. 5.

Date: August 17, 2016

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R. Kevin Fisher Attorney for Plaintiff FRED ASHOUR

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# PROMISSORY NOTE

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# -DEED OF TRUST

# **DEFINITIONS**

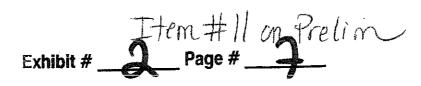
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(B) "Borrower" is	FARHAN WANERT
Borrower is the trustor under this Security Inst	rument.
(C) "Lender" is	FARID ASHOUR
Lender is a	organized and existing under the laws of
Lender's address is	16621 Howelbee Dr. Tustin, CA
Lender is the beneficiary under this Security In	strument. 92782
(D) "Trustee" is	ARTA ACHOUR
(E) "Note" means the promissory note sign	ed by Borrower and dated Co- O o O
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than Sep. 9. 2016	
(F) "Property" means the property that is	described below under the heading "Transfer of
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	Note, plus interest, any prepayment charges and
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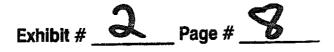
all easements, appurtenances, and fixtures now or hereafter a part of the property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this Security Instrument. All of the foregoing is referred to in this Security Instrument as the "Property."

BORROWER COVENANTS that Borrower is lawfully seised of the estate hereby conveyed and has the right to grant and convey the Property and that the Property is unencumbered, except for encumbrances of record. Borrower warrants and will defend generally the title to the Property against all claims and demands, subject to any encumbrances of record.

THIS SECURITY INSTRUMENT combines uniform covenants for national use and non-uniform covenants with limited variations by jurisdiction to constitute a uniform security instrument covering real property.

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# Exhibit "A"

#### PARCEL A:

Lot 16 of Tract 11793, in the City of San Clemente, County of Orange, State of California, as shown on a map recorded in book 521, pages 24 through 27 inclusive of miscellaneous maps, in the office of the County Recorder of Orange County, California. The aforesaid map of Tract 11793 was corrected by a Certificate of Correction recorded on January 24, 1989 as instrument no. 89-40953 of Official Records of said county.

Except therefrom all oil, gas, minerals and other hydrocarbons, below a depth of 500 feet, without the right of surface entry, as reserved in deeds of record.

#### PARCEL B:

Nonexclusive easements for ingress and egress, access, drainage, maintenance and other purposes as described in the project documents.

# INCORPORATION OF FICTITIOUS DEED OF TRUST PROVISIONS

Paragraph (I) through and including paragraph (Q) of the "Definitions" Section of the Fictitious Deed of Trust, and Section I through and including Section 25 of the Fictitious Deed of Trust, are incorporated into this Security Instrument by reference. Borrower acknowledges having received a copy of the Fictitious Deed of Trust and agrees to be bound by the Sections and paragraphs of the Fictitious Deed of Trust incorporated into this Security Instrument.

BY SIGNING BELOW, Borrower accepts and agrees to the terms and covenants contained in this Security Instrument (including those provisions of the Fictitious Deed of Trust that are incorporated by reference) and in any Rider executed by Borrower and recorded with it.

The undersigned Borrower requests that a copy of any Notice of Default and any Notice of Sale under this Security Instrument be mailed to the Borrower at the address set forth above.

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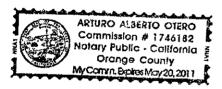
\_\_\_\_\_,who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature

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Participants:

Name	Туре	Assoc	Start Date	End Date
FARHAD NADERI	DEFENDANT		08/17/2016	
FRED ASHOUR	PLAINTIFF		08/17/2016	
FISHER & KREKORIAN	ATTORNEY		08/17/2016	

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Main Document Page 33 of 37 Superior Court of California. County of Orange JUD-100 82/27/2017 at 02:28:19 PM ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, state bar number, and address): FOR COURT USE ONLY Clerk of the Superior Court By Natasha Dorfman, Deputy Clerk R. Kevin Fisher (State Bar No. 131455) 2121 Park Drive Los Angeles, CA 90026 TELEPHONE NO. (310) 862-1225 FAX NO (Optional) (310) 388-0805 CALIFORNIA E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional) COUNTY OF ORANGE CENTRAL JUSTICE CENTER ATTORNEY FOR (Name) Plaintiff SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF Orange STREET ADDRESS 700 Civic Center Drive West MAR 29 2017 MAILING ADDRESS CITY AND ZIP CODE: Santa Ana, CA 92701 DAVID H. YAMASAKI, Clerk of the Court BRANCH NAME. Central Justice Center PLAINTIFF: Fred Ashour DEPUTY DEFENDANT: Farhad Naderi, etc., et al. CASE NUMBER JUDGMENT 30-2016-00869831-CU-BC-CJC After Court Trial By Clerk By Default Defendant Did Not **☑** By Court On Stipulation Appear at Trial **JUDGMENT** 1. D BY DEFAULT a. Defendant was properly served with a copy of the summons and complaint. b. Defendant failed to answer the complaint or appear and defend the action within the time allowed by law. c. Defendant's default was entered by the clerk upon plaintiff's application. d. Clerk's Judgment (Code Civ. Proc., § 585(a)). Defendant was sued only on a contract or judgment of a court of this state for the recovery of money. e. Court Judgment (Code Civ. Proc. § 585(b)). The court considered (1) plaintiffs testimony and other evidence. (2) plaintiff's written declaration (Code Civ. Proc, § 585(d)). 2. ON STIPULATION a. Plaintiff and defendant agreed (stipulated) that a judgment be entered in this case. The court approved the stipulated judgment and the signed written stipulation was filed in the case. the stipulation was stated in open court the stipulation was stated on the record. 3. AFTER COURT TRIAL. The jury was waived. The court considered the evidence. a. The case was tried on (date and time): before (name of judicial officer). b. Appearances by: Plaintiff (name each): Plaintiff's attorney (name each): (1) (1)(2)Continued on Attachment 3b. Defendant (name each): Defendant 's attorney (name each): (1) (1) (2)Continued on Attachment 3b.

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requested.

c. Defendant did not appear at trial. Defendant was properly served with notice of trial.

d. A statement of decision (Code Civ. Proc., § 632) was not was

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DEFENDANT: Farhad Naderi, etc., et	al.		30-2016-00869831-0	JU-BC-CJC
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4. Stipulated Judgment. Judgm	ent is entered accordi	ng to the stipulation of the pa	irties.	
5. Parties, Judgment is				
a.  for plaintiff (name each): Fred Ashour		c. for cros	s-complainant (name each	):
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# **MINUTE ORDER**

DATE: 03/29/2017

TIME: 04:00:00 PM

DEPT: C17

JUDICIAL OFFICER PRESIDING: Craig Griffin

CLERK: Lenora Silva REPORTER/ERM: None

**BAILIFF/COURT ATTENDANT:** 

CASE NO: 30-2016-00869831-CU-BC-CJC CASE INIT.DATE: 08/17/2016

CASE TITLE: Ashour vs. Naderi

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CASE TYPE: Breach of Contract/Warranty

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#### **APPEARANCES**

There are no appearances by any party.

585 packet received.

585 packet is read and considered.

# **DEFAULT BY AFFIDAVIT**

The Court having reviewed the Default Prove Up by Affidavit, pursuant to C.C.P. 585.5 (d) now rules as follows:

Judgment granted for Plaintiff, Fred Ashour against Defendant, Farhad Naderi, an individual, aka Fred Naderi as set forth in the Judgment signed and filed this date.

The Case Management Conference set for 5/5/17 at 9:30 am in Department C17 is vacated.

DATE: 03/29/2017

DEPT: C17

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# SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ORANGE

Central Justice Center 700 W. Civic Center Drive Santa Ana, CA 92702

SHORT TITLE: Ashour vs. Naderi

# CLERK'S CERTIFICATE OF MAILING/ELECTRONIC **SERVICE**

CASE NUMBER:

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I certify that I am not a party to this cause. I certify that the following document(s), Judgment dated 03/29/17, have been transmitted electronically by Orange County Superior Court at Santa Ana, CA. The transmission originated from email address on April 11, 2017, at 3:24:01 PM PDT. The electronically transmitted document(s) is in accordance with rule 2,251 of the California Rules of Court, addressed as shown above. The list of electronically served recipients are listed below:

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# PROOF OF SERVICE OF DOCUMENT

I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding. My business address is: 4929 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 940, Los Angeles CA 90010

A true and correct copy of the foregoing document entitled MOTION TO DISMISS COMPLAINT TO DETERMINE NONDISCHARGEABILITY OF DEBT PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 523(a)(2), DENIAL OF DISCHARGE PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 727(a)(, (a)(3), (a)(4), and (a)(5)S will be served or was served (a) on the judge in chambers in the form and manner required by LBR 5005-2(d); and (b) in the manner stated below:

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<b>January 8, 2018</b>	Baruch C. Cohen	/s/ Baruch C. Cohen	
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